Case: 1:21-mj-00660

Assigned To: Meriweather, Robin M.

Assign. Date: 11/18/2021

Description: COMPLAINT W/ ARREST WARRANT

### STATEMENT OF FACTS

Your affiant, is a Special Agent assigned to Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and has been so employed since 2011. Specifically, I am assigned to the Tampa Field Office, Joint Terrorist Task Force (JTTF). I am currently tasked with investigating criminal activity in and around the Capitol grounds on January 6, 2021. As an FBI Special Agent, I have participated in numerous investigations involving foreign and domestic threats to United States' national security. I am authorized by law or by a Government agency to engage in or supervise the prevention, detention, investigation, or prosecution of a violation of Federal criminal laws. I am a "federal law enforcement officer" within the meaning of Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 41(a)(2)(C).

# **PROBABLE CAUSE**

# Background

1. The US Capitol Police (USCP), the FBI, and assisting law enforcement agencies are investigating a riot and related offenses that occurred at the United States Capitol Building, located at 1 First Street, NW, Washington, D.C., 20510 on January 6, 2021.

# The 2020 United States Presidential Election and the Official Proceeding on January 6, 2021

- 2. The 2020 United States Presidential Election occurred on November 3, 2020.
- 3. The United States Electoral College is a group required by the Constitution to form every four years for the sole purpose of electing the president and vice president, with each state appointing its own electors in a number equal to the size of that state's Congressional delegation.
- 4. On December 14, 2020, the presidential electors of the U.S. Electoral College met in the state capital of each state and in the District of Columbia and formalized the result of the

- 2020 U.S. Presidential Election: Joseph R. Biden Jr. and Kamala D. Harris were declared to have won sufficient votes to be elected the next president and vice president of the United States.
- 5. On or about December 19, 2020, President Donald J. Trump tweeted, "Statistically impossible to have lost the 2020 Election. Big protest in D.C. on January 6th. Be there, will be wild!"
- 6. On January 6, 2021, a Joint Session of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate ("the Joint Session") convened in the United States Capitol building (the "Capitol" or the "U.S. Capitol") to certify the vote of the Electoral College of the 2020 U.S. Presidential Election (the "Certification").

## Criminal Activity Before the Riot

- 7. Based on my knowledge, training, and experience, I know that participants in the kinds of criminal activities described herein tend to, and often did here, take certain preparatory steps before committing their crimes, including: researching and purchasing materials and supplies such as burner phones, tactical vests and helmets, and weapons including bear spray, pepper spray, asps (police batons), guns and ammunition, and zip tie restraints; mapping and reconnoitering the location of the planned crime and possible entry and escape routes, including checking for surveillance cameras and other potential security surrounding such locations; training in how to use their weapons and other tools and techniques involved in their planned criminal activity; and organizing with other co-conspirators on social media and elsewhere for planned travel and methods of attack.
- 8. Beginning after the election in November 2020, text and other communications show that some groups of subjects planned and attended military-style training in preparation for opposing the results of the election. Multiple groups that forcibly entered the Capitol appeared to

consist of individuals who had coordinated their actions. Some groups at the riot included members who dressed in similar uniforms with the same insignia, and members of some groups can be heard on video giving and following instructions. Based on my training and experience, and this investigation, these groups' manner of dress, movements, and communication demonstrate that they had prepared together. Furthermore, the movement of these groups within the Capitol demonstrates an intent to, among other things, oppose by force Congress's authority, and to prevent, hinder, or delay the execution of the Joint Session's legal responsibilities.

- 9. Beginning in December 2020, using social media, text messaging, and messaging applications, subjects planning to participate in the riot sent incendiary messages aimed at recruiting as large a following as possible to go to Washington, D.C. to interfere with the official Congressional proceeding on January 6, 2021. This investigation has shown that many of the subjects of this investigation came from out of state and coordinated using social media, text messaging, and messaging applications on their cell phones.
- 10. During the time when the subjects were inside the Capitol building, multiple subjects were observed inside the U.S. Capitol wearing what appears to be, based upon my training and experience, tactical vests and helmets. The common equipment and paraphernalia that groups inside and outside the Capitol possessed, such as bear spray, eye protection, tactical vests, and helmets, are evidence of some prior agreement among individuals to engage in the conduct described herein.

## The Riot at the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021

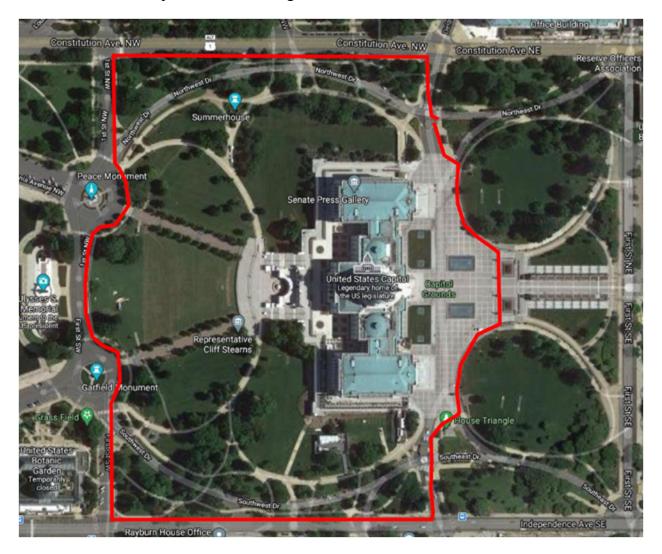
11. At the U.S. Capitol, the building itself has 540 rooms covering 175,170 square feet of ground, roughly four acres. The building is 751 feet long (roughly 228 meters) from north to south and 350 feet wide (106 meters) at its widest point. The U.S. Capitol Visitor Center is 580,000

square feet and is located underground on the east side of the Capitol. On the west side of the Capitol building is the West Front, which includes the inaugural stage scaffolding, a variety of open concrete spaces, a fountain surrounded by a walkway, two broad staircases, and multiple terraces at each floor. On the East Front are three staircases, porticos on both the House and Senate side, and two large skylights into the Visitor's Center surrounded by a concrete parkway. All this area was barricaded and off limits to the public on January 6, 2021.

- 12. The U.S. Capitol is secured 24 hours a day by USCP. Restrictions around the U.S. Capitol include permanent and temporary security barriers and posts manned by USCP. Only authorized people with appropriate identification are allowed access inside the U.S. Capitol.
- 13. On January 6, 2021, the area of the U.S. Capitol grounds was established as a restricted area. This restricted area consisted of both permanent and temporary security barriers as well as posts manned by USCP to include bike racks. The restricted area was bounded to the north of the U.S. Capitol along Constitution Avenue; to the south of the U.S. Capitol along Independence Avenue; to the west of the U.S. Capitol along the eastern side of First Street; and, on the east side of the U.S. Capitol, between the East Front and the grassy areas located between the Plaza and First Street. Within the grassy area, a designated area for media was restricted by bike racks. This bounded area is hereinafter referred to as the "Restricted Grounds." People could lawfully be on the Capitol grounds outside of the Restricted Grounds including on the East Front, east of the bike racks along the Capitol Plaza, including all of the grassy areas on the East Front.
- 14. Within the West Front of the Restricted Grounds were additional temporary barriers due to preparations and ongoing construction for the Presidential Inauguration including perforated green plastic sheeting attached to stakes at regular intervals, known as snow fencing, and signage

stating "Area Closed by order of the United States Capitol Police Board." The exterior plaza of the U.S. Capitol was also closed to members of the public.

15. A map of the area of the U.S. Capitol showing the Restricted Grounds is below, the red line marks the police line at the edges of the Restricted Grounds:



16. On January 6, 2021, a joint session of the United States Congress convened at the U.S. Capitol. During the joint session, elected members of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate were meeting in separate chambers of the U.S. Capitol to certify the vote count of the Electoral College of the 2020 Presidential Election, which took place on November 3, 2020. The joint session began at approximately 1:00 p.m. Eastern

Standard Time (EST). Shortly thereafter, by approximately 1:30 p.m., the House and Senate adjourned to separate chambers to resolve a particular objection. Vice President Mike Pence was present and presiding, first in the joint session, and then in the Senate chamber.

- 17. As the proceedings continued in both the House and the Senate, and with Vice President Mike Pence present and presiding over the Senate, a large crowd gathered outside the U.S. Capitol. As noted above, temporary and permanent barricades were in place around the exterior of the U.S. Capitol building, and USCP were present and attempting to keep the crowd away from the Capitol building and the proceedings underway inside.
- 18. At around 1:00 p.m., known and unknown individuals broke through the police lines, toppled the outside barricades protecting the U.S. Capitol, and pushed past USCP and supporting law enforcement officers there to protect the U.S. Capitol. Pipe bombs were later found near both the Democratic National Committee and Republican National Committee headquarters.
- 19. At around 1:30 p.m., USCP ordered Congressional staff to evacuate the House Cannon Office Building and the Library of Congress James Madison Memorial Building in part because of a suspicious package found nearby.
- 20. Media reporting showed a group of individuals outside of the Capitol chanting, "Hang Mike Pence." I know from this investigation that some individuals believed that Vice President Pence possessed the ability to prevent the certification of the presidential election and that his failure to do so made him a traitor.
- 21. At approximately 2:00 p.m., some people in the crowd forced their way through, up, and over the barricades and law enforcement. The crowd advanced to the exterior façade of the building. The crowd was not lawfully authorized to enter or remain in the building and, prior to entering the building, no members of the crowd submitted to security screenings or weapons

checks by U.S. Capitol Police Officers or other authorized security officials. At such time, the certification proceedings were still underway and the exterior doors and windows of the U.S. Capitol were locked or otherwise secured. Members of law enforcement attempted to maintain order and keep the crowd from entering the Capitol.

22. Shortly after 2:00 p.m., individuals in the crowd forced entry into the U.S. Capitol, including by breaking windows and by assaulting members of law enforcement, as others in the crowd encouraged and assisted those acts. Publicly available video footage shows an unknown individual saying to a crowd outside the Capitol building, "We're gonna fucking take this," which your affiant believes was a reference to "taking" the U.S. Capitol.



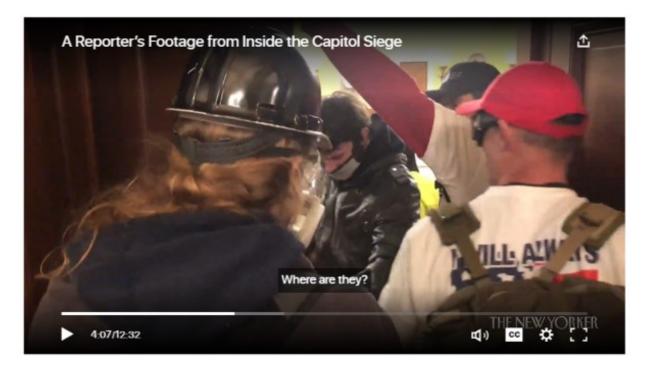
23. Multiple groups that forcibly entered the Capitol appeared to consist of individuals who had practiced and/or coordinated their actions. For example, some groups included members who dressed in similar uniforms with the same insignia, and members of some groups can be heard on video giving and following instructions. Based on my training and experience, and this

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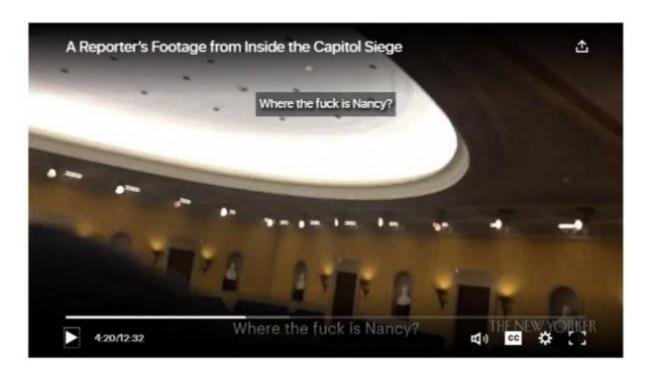
- 24. Shortly thereafter, at approximately 2:20 p.m. members of the United States House of Representatives and United States Senate, including the President of the Senate, Vice President Mike Pence, were instructed to—and did—evacuate the chambers. That is, at or about this time, USCP ordered all nearby staff, Senators, and reporters into the Senate chamber and locked it down. USCP ordered a similar lockdown in the House chamber. As the subjects attempted to break into the House chamber, by breaking the windows on the chamber door, law enforcement was forced to draw their weapons to protect the victims sheltering inside.
- 25. At approximately 2:30 p.m., known and unknown subjects broke windows and pushed past USCP and supporting law enforcement officers forcing their way into the U.S. Capitol on both the west side and the east side of the building. Once inside, the subjects broke windows and doors, destroyed property, stole property, and assaulted federal police officers. Many of the federal police officers were injured and several were admitted to the hospital.
- 26. The subjects also confronted and terrorized members of Congress, Congressional staff, and the media. The subjects carried weapons including tire irons, sledgehammers, bear spray, and Tasers. They also took police equipment from overrun police including shields and police batons and used them against law enforcement officers trying to protect the U.S. Capitol

and the people who were legitimately inside it. At least one of the subjects carried a handgun with an extended magazine. These actions by the unknown individuals resulted in the disruption and ultimate delay of the vote Certification.

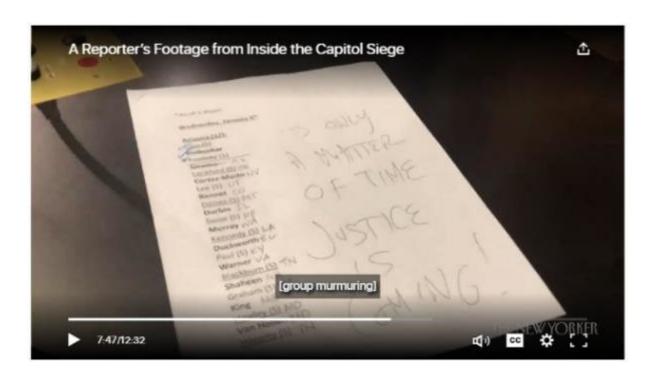
- 27. Also, at approximately 2:30 p.m., USCP ordered the evacuation of lawmakers, Vice President Mike Pence, and president pro tempore of the Senate, Charles Grassley, for their safety.
  - 28. At around 2:45 p.m., subjects broke into the office of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi.
- 29. At around 2:47 p.m., subjects broke into the United States Senate Chamber. Publicly available video on the news media website of The New Yorker shows an individual asking, "Where are they?" as they opened up the door to the Senate Chamber. Based upon the context, law enforcement believes that the word "they" is in reference to members of Congress.



30. After subjects forced entry into the Senate Chamber, the same publicly available video shows that an individual asked, "Where the fuck is Nancy?" Based upon other comments and the context, law enforcement believes that the "Nancy" being referenced was the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Nancy Pelosi.



31. A subject left a note on the podium on the floor of the Senate Chamber. This note, captured by the filming reporter on the same video, stated, "Its Only A Matter of Time Justice is Coming."



- 32. At around 2:48 p.m., DC Mayor Muriel Bowser announced a citywide curfew beginning at 6:00 p.m.
  - 33. At about 3:25 p.m., law enforcement officers cleared the Senate floor.
- 34. At around 4:52 p.m., at a staging area for the media set up outside of the U.S. Capitol building on the east side, unknown subjects assaulted members of the media and stole and destroyed equipment owned by various members of the media and media companies.
- 35. Between 3:25 and around 6:30 p.m., law enforcement was able to clear the U.S. Capitol of all of the subjects.
- 36. Based on these events, all proceedings of the United States Congress, including the joint session, were effectively suspended until shortly after 8:00 p.m. the same day. In light of the dangerous circumstances caused by the unlawful entry to the U.S. Capitol, including the danger posed by individuals who had entered the U.S. Capitol without any security screening or weapons check, Congressional proceedings could not resume until after every unauthorized occupant had left the U.S. Capitol, and the building had been confirmed secured. The proceedings resumed at approximately 8:00 pm after the building had been secured. Vice President Pence remained in the United States Capitol from the time he was evacuated from the Senate Chamber until the session resumed.
  - 37. Beginning around 8:00 p.m., the Senate resumed work on the Certification.
  - 38. Beginning around 9:00 p.m., the House resumed work on the Certification.
- 39. Both chambers of Congress met and worked on the Certification within the Capitol building until approximately 3 a.m. on January 7, 2021.

# Facts Specific to This Application

- James Delisco Beeks is a 48-year-old<sup>1</sup> resident of Orlando, Florida. As described 40. more fully herein, Beeks conspired with others known and unknown to forcibly enter the Capitol on January 6, 2021, and to obstruct the Congressional proceeding occurring that day.
- 41. As explained more fully below, at around 2:30 p.m., a group of Oath Keeper members and affiliates—many of whom were wearing clothing and patches with the Oath Keepers name, logo, and insignia—marched in a "stack" formation<sup>2</sup> ("Stack One") onto the Capitol grounds and then up the east steps of the Capitol to the area outside of the Rotunda Doors. At the time, the doors were closed and guarded by United States Capitol Police officers. Stack One joined a mob of people, some of whom attacked officers in trying to gain entry into the Capitol while yelling, "Take their shields," "Our house," and "We want Trump!" Attackers assaulted officers using pepper spray, flagpoles, and numerous improvised weapons and projectiles. They also disarmed the officers by stealing their shields and pushing them away from the Rotunda Doors. At 2:38 p.m., the doors were breached, and Stack One stormed into the Capitol alongside the mob. The Rotunda Doors and surrounding façade suffered thousands of dollars' worth of damage during the attack on the Capitol.
  - 42... Beeks was a member of Stack One.
- 43. Once inside the Capitol, Stack One entered the Rotunda and then split up. Half of Stack One, including Beeks, tried to push their way through a line of law enforcement officers

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The age listed is as of January 6, 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Law enforcement reports that a stack or column formation is a tactical formation used by infantryman in the military. One defining feature of this formation is that members keep their hands on the backs or vests of the person in front of them to remain together while entering a room or weaving through a crowd. The purpose of maintaining direct physical contact with one another is to efficiently communicate with one another, especially in crowded or noisy areas.

guarding a hallway that led to the Senate chamber. Law enforcement officers forcibly repelled their advance. The participants in this half of Stack One, including Beeks, regrouped in the Rotunda and then left the building, at approximately 3:04 p.m. The other half of Stack One headed towards the House of Representatives; according to at least one member, they were looking for Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi. They did not find Speaker Pelosi and ultimately left the building.

- 44. Later, another group of six Oath Keepers and associates formed a second "stack" formation ("Stack Two") and breached the Capitol grounds, marching from the west to the east side of the Capitol building and up the east stairs. At around 3:15 p.m., some of Stack Two breached the same Rotunda Doors that Stack One had previously entered. Once inside, at least two members of Stack Two forced their way past law enforcement officers trying to guard the Rotunda. These members started shouting at officers to "get out" of "my Capitol." One of them violently pulled at and pushed his way past the officers, forcing officers to deploy chemical spray to stop their progress.
- 45. In a widely disseminated video<sup>3</sup> recorded by a photojournalist on January 6, 2021, Stack One moves up and through a crowd on the east side of the U.S. Capitol. A screenshot of the video is below, with a portion of Stack One encircled by a red oval:

<sup>3</sup> See https://apnews.com/article/ex-military-cops-us-capitol-riot-a1cb17201dfddc98291edead5 badc257/gallery/0ecd1781c66d437f92c61b3f4848a74e (at slide 9).



46. AP News footage shows an individual who appears to be Beeks (indicated with red circle) as part of Stack One:

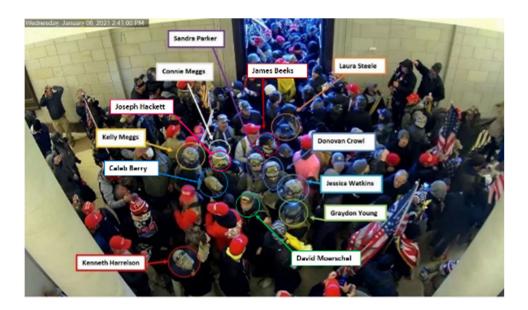


47. A service called "News2Share" uploaded to YouTube a video of the January 6, 2021, attack at the Capitol. At the approximate 3-minute-and-8-second mark, the video shows individuals in matching uniforms consisting of camouflaged-combat attire aggressively approaching an entrance to the Capitol.<sup>4</sup> These individuals, who are wearing helmets, reinforced vests, and clothing with Oath Keeper logos and insignia, can be seen moving in an organized and practiced fashion and forcing their way to the front of the crowd gathered around a set of doors to the Capitol.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b76KfHB0QO8&feature=youtu.be.



48. Surveillance video from inside the Capitol shows Stack One (and other members of the crowd) shortly after breaching the doors to the Capitol. Beeks can be seen in the center, near a number of other coconspirators:



49. Surveillance video from inside the Capitol Rotunda on January 6, 2021, also shows a person consistent with Beeks, along with other members of Stack One:





50. Surveillance video from inside the Capitol further captures the person consistent with Beeks holding up a cell phone as if to capture photos or video:



51. On August 4, 2021, a federal grand jury in Washington, D.C., handed down a superseding indictment in case number 21-CR-00028, charging Thomas Caldwell, Jessica Watkins, Donovan Crowl, Sandra Parker, Bennie Parker, Laura Steele, Kelly Meggs, Connie Meggs, Kenneth Harrelson, Roberto Minuta, Joshua James, Jonathan Walden, Joseph Hackett,

Jason Dolan,<sup>5</sup> William Isaacs, David Moerschel, and Brian Ulrich on counts of Conspiracy, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371; Obstruction of an Official Proceeding and Aiding and Abetting, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1512(c)(2), 2; and related charges. The indictment alleges that Watkins, Crowl, Steele, Sandra Parker, Kelly Meggs, Connie Meggs, Harrelson, Hackett, Dolan, Isaacs, and Moerschel were part of Stack One. Minuta, James, Walden, and Ulrich are alleged to have been part of Stack Two. Caldwell and Bennie Parker are alleged to have conspired with and aided abetted their co-defendants.

- 52. In addition to the 17 individuals named in the above paragraph, three additional co-conspirators have pled guilty: Stack One members Graydon Young (in case number 21-CR-00028) and Caleb Berry (in case number 21-CR-00460), and Stack Two member Mark Grods (in case number 21-CR-00437). One of the Stack One members who has pled guilty will be referred to as "Defendant 4."
- 53. According to Defendant 4 and video and photographic evidence, Beeks joined with this group of Oath Keepers while walking from the Ellipse to the Capitol. Unlike the camouflaged-combat attire of the individuals described above, Beeks was wearing a black jacket with the word "BAD" written in red on the left breast, a burgundy hooded sweatshirt, black pants, a black helmet, black boots, yellow-tinted goggles, dark tan gloves, and a patterned tan and green neck gaiter pulled up over his nose, and he was carrying what appears to be a black shield. He also wore on his neck what appears to be a commercially available body-worn camera.
- 54. Beeks can be seen in the below photograph walking with other Oath Keeper members towards the Capitol:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Dolan has since pled guilty.



55. Similarly, Beeks (red arrow) can be seen in the below screenshot from surveillance footage, walking with other members of the Oath Keepers onto the north side of the Capitol grounds at 2:27 p.m.:



56. Beeks is then seen approaching the Capitol with his right hand, clad in a dark tan glove, on the back of defendant and coconspirator Sandra Parker:



57. Later, Beeks (red arrow) is seen standing on the steps of the Capitol, behind defendant and coconspirator Crowl (yellow arrow):

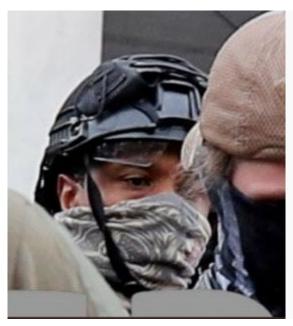


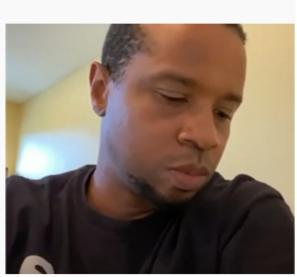
58. Finally, Beeks is seen standing on the Capitol grounds with other members of the Oath Keepers, after exiting the Capitol building:



- 59. Law enforcement showed Defendant 4 the above photograph of Beeks from January 6, 2021. According to Defendant 4, Defendant 4 had not met or corresponded with Beeks prior to January 6, and Defendant 4 did not know Beeks's name. Defendant 4 described Beeks as a young (20s) Black male. Defendant 4 stated that Beeks did not pull down his neck gaiter while they were together, so Defendant 4 never saw Beeks's face.
- 60. Defendant 4 stated that he spoke with Beeks while the group walked towards the Capitol. According to Defendant 4, Beeks approached the group, and specifically Defendant 4, and stated that he was an Oath Keeper, that he had recently joined the Oath Keepers, that he was from Orlando, and that he had been following Kelly Meggs's posts on social media. Beeks further told Defendant 4 that Beeks's shield was homemade and was bulletproof.

- 61. Law enforcement was able to corroborate most of Defendant 4's description of Beeks and Beeks's statements. Beeks is a Black male. At the time, he was 48 years old (not in his 20s), but he has a youthful appearance. His last known address was in Orlando, Florida. And he paid dues to the Oath Keepers on December 21, 2020, just two weeks before January 6.
- 62. While law enforcement was not able to locate a photograph or video of Beeks at the Capitol with his full face visible (because of his helmet and gaiter), law enforcement was able to make a comparison based on his visible ear. Specifically, a photograph of Beeks's right ear while at the Capitol appears similar to Beeks's right ear as seen on a video of Beeks on Beeks's YouTube page<sup>7</sup> (see below for further discussion of Beeks's online presence), including a pronounced antihelix:





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from Rally Pay showing that Beeks made an annual membership payment to Oath Keepers, Inc., on December 21, 2020. Beeks provided a phone number ending in 2032, an email address of [redacted]@jamesdbeeks.com, and a billing address in Orlando, Florida.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-n-u3v2ojs4

63. As explained below, law enforcement was further able to corroborate Beeks's possession of the black jacket that appears consistent with the one he was seen wearing on January 6, 2021. The jacket appears to be from Michael Jackson's BAD world tour, which started in 1987. This is a photograph of a replica of the jacket (front and back), available for sale online:





64. Law enforcement located open source photographs of a person who appears to be Beeks wearing this same jacket. The following photographs were posted on Instagram on April 4, 2020, by a person who included the hashtag #jesuschristsuperstar:





- 65. According to an online cast listing,<sup>8</sup> the person who posted the photographs on Instagram is an actor in a traveling production of the play Jesus Christ Superstar. Beeks, under the stage name "James T. Justis," is also an actor in that same production.
- 66. Beeks has an additional connection to Michael Jackson: According to his LinkedIn profile<sup>9</sup> and YouTube page,<sup>10</sup> Beeks regularly performs as a Michael Jackson impersonator. His YouTube page, under the name James Delisco Beeks with a username of "jdmoonwalker," describes him as "one of the Top Michael Jackson Tribute artists in the US."
- 67. Law enforcement was able to corroborate evidence that Beeks was in the Washington, D.C., area on January 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> https://ustour.jesuschristsuperstar.com/our-people/cast/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> https://linkedin.com/in/jamesdbeeks. The page includes a photograph of Beeks consistent with Beeks's driver's license.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> https://www.youtube.com/user/jdmoonwalker/about.

- 68. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from Chase Bank showing Beeks as the owner of debit card ending in 9802. The same records show that the debit card was used to make an ATM withdrawal in Northern Virginia on January 5, 2021. According to the same records, debit card 9802 was used at a parking lot in Washington, D.C., on January 6, 2021.
- 69. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records showing that Beeks paid for hotels on January 5, 2021 in Pooler, Georgia, and January 7, 2021 in Rocky Mount, North Carolina, consistent with roundtrip travel from Orlando, Florida, to Washington, D.C.
- 70. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from Avis Budget Group, showing that Beeks rented a Toyota 4Runner from December 30, 2020 through January 13, 2021. Beeks provided Avis with the same phone number ending in 2032 that he provided to the Oath Keepers organization. According to Avis, the total mileage on the vehicle was 2456 miles, which is consistent with at least a trip from Orlando, Florida, to Washington, D.C., and back about 850 miles each way.
- 71. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from T-Mobile, which showed that phone number ending in 2032 was registered to James Beeks at his known address in Orlando, Florida, in January 2021.
- 72. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from Shooters World in Orlando, Florida, showing Beeks provided contact information including the phone number ending in 2032, email address [redacted]@jamesdbeeks.com, and his known driver's license number and date of birth. Beeks visited the shooting range on at least three separate occasions: July 17, 2020, August 15, 2020, and January 14, 2021.

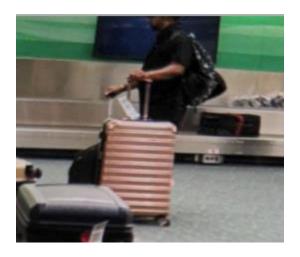
- 73. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from T-Mobile, which showed an IMEI ending in 6070 registered on the account of the phone number ending in 2032. According to database information this IMEI is associated with an iPhone 8 Plus device. An IMEI stands for International Mobile Equipment Identity, which is a 15-digit number unique to each device. From your affiant's training and experience, I know that this means Beeks used an iOS platform to operate this device.
- 74. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from Apple, which showed James Beeks, DSID 1374741523, utilized a phone number ending in 2032 and his known address in Orlando, Florida. Additionally, according to the Apple records, Beeks appears to have the backup feature turned on for photos, iCloud drive, messages, and email.
- 75. Beeks appears to have changed his phone and phone number starting around February 20, 2021. Note that the first indictment in case 21-cr-00028 naming co-conspirators from Florida (including Kelly Meggs) was filed the day prior (February 19), and it was covered extensively in the press, especially in Florida.<sup>11</sup>
- 76. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from T-Mobile showing service to phone number ending in 2032 was canceled by Beeks on February 20, 2021, and the same day Beeks activated the phone number ending in 9669 with a pre-paid Boost Mobile service. According to T-Mobile, as of November 10, 2021, the phone number ending in 9669 appears to still be active.

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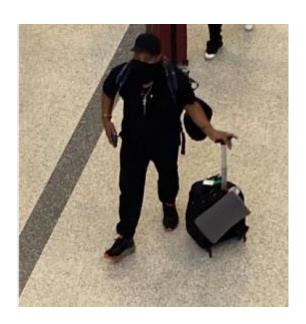
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See, e.g., https://www.ocala.com/story/news/2021/02/20/couple-arrested-jan-6-capitol-attack-live-near-dunnellon/4522691001/. The DOJ Press Release on the indictment was issued on February 19, 2021. See https://www.justice.gov/usao-mdnc/pr/six-individuals-affiliated-oath-keepers-indicted-federal-grand-jury-conspiracy-obstruct.

- 77. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from Apple showing Beeks changed his registration name to "James Justis" and registered a new iPhone 12 Pro on February 21, 2021.
- 78. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from Qapital (a personal finance mobile app) showing that Beeks changed his phone number to the number ending in 9669 as well as his email address on February 21, 2021.
- 79. Beeks continues to perform in the Jesus Christ Superstar production. Law enforcement observed him in early November 2021 at performances in San Francisco and Los Angeles. There are no performances scheduled the week of November 15, 2021. The production is scheduled to perform the week of November 23, 2021, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, before heading to Toronto in December.<sup>12</sup>
- 80. Pursuant to legal process, the government obtained records from an Extra Space Storage facility in Orlando, Florida, showing that Beeks, using his known address and the phone number ending in 9669, rented a 10' x 20' storage unit starting on March 19, 2021, and that as of November 16, 2021, the unit is still rented to him. According to the Extra Space records, Beeks first visited the unit on March 25, 2021, and last visited (as of November 16, 2021) on August 31, 2021.
- 81. On November 15, 2021, law enforcement observed Beeks as he travelled via plane from Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) to Orlando International Airport (MCO). Beeks carried a camouflage backpack off the plane, and then retrieved two bags from the baggage carousel: a large pink bag and a black roller-board bag. Beeks is seen standing with his hands on the two bag handles and the backpack on his back:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> https://ustour.jesuschristsuperstar.com/tickets/



82. At the airport, law enforcement observed Beeks carrying and using a cell phone:



- 83. Law enforcement observed Beeks carry his bags into a ride share vehicle, which drove him to a house in Gotha, Florida. Beeks entered the house around 2 a.m. on November 16, 2021, and briefly came outside to walk a dog. The house is owned by people other than Beeks.
- 84. Given that the next Jesus Christ Superstar production begins on November 23, 2021, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, law enforcement assesses that Beeks will likely fly from Orlando to Milwaukee within the next several days.

#### CONCLUSION

85. Based on the foregoing, your affiant submits that there is probable cause to believe that Beeks violated 18 U.S.C. § 1512(c)(2), which makes it a crime to obstruct, influence, or impede any official proceeding, or attempt to do so. Under 18 U.S.C. § 1515, congressional proceedings are official proceedings.

86. Finally, your affiant submits that there is probable cause to believe that Beeks violated 18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1) and (2), which makes it a crime to (1) knowingly enter or remain in any restricted building or grounds without lawful authority to do; and (2) knowingly, and with intent to impede or disrupt the orderly conduct of Government business or official functions, engage in disorderly or disruptive conduct in, or within such proximity to, any restricted building or grounds when, or so that, such conduct, in fact, impedes or disrupts the orderly conduct of Government business or official functions. For purposes of Section 1752 of Title 18, a "restricted building" includes a posted, cordoned off, or otherwise restricted area of a building or grounds where the President or other person protected by the Secret Service, including the Vice President, is or will be temporarily visiting; or any building or grounds so restricted in conjunction with an event designated as a special event of national significance.



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Subscribed and sworn pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 4.1 and 41(d)(3), this 18th day of November 2021.

ROBIN M. MERIWEATHER
U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE